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"EXTRAORDINARILY BRUTAL" TREATMENT OF BRITISH SAILORS

BRITISH REGIMENTS STAND BY

Jerusalem, To-day.—Two British battalions in Palestine and two in Cairo are understood to be standing by in view of the developments in Baghdad.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

MILITARY COUP D'ETAT AT BAGHDAD

Serious Situation Envisaged

PEACE OF MIDDLE EAST THREATENED

London, To-day.

Far-reaching consequences in the Middle East are likely to be the outcome of the military coup d'etat which took place without bloodshed in Baghdad yesterday, according to observers abroad. Yasin's Government, which included Jafar Pasha, Iraq's strong man, had pursued a policy of good relations with Iraq's neighbours, including Palestine, Saudi-Arabia, Trans-Jordan and Afghanistan. Hikmat Sulaiman in the past opposed the Anglo-Iraq Alliance. He belonged to the Cabinet in 1933 which was dissolved following the trouble in the Middle Euphrates when revolt was stirred up among the Kurdish tribes.

ARMS SMUGGLING

Paris: The newspapers report the smuggling of arms from Syria across the Iraq frontier by Assyrians and Syrian nomads, their aim being a revolt against Baghdad and Damascus. The arms belonged to the French garrisons evacuating under the terms of the recent Franco-Syrian Treaty. The smugglers assert that now that France is leaving Syria, Christians are now in a minority and must arm.

RACIAL ISSUE

Cairo: Apparently the racial issue is behind the Baghdad coup d'etat. The latest reports state that the trouble is apparently a repercussion of the happenings in Palestine which resulted in anti-Jewish feeling. Isolated attacks against Jews are reported to have occurred, some with fatal results.

CONSCRIPTION EDICT

Jerusalem: The Iraq coup d'etat is believed in well-informed circles here to be due to divergences of opinion over the enforcement of military conscription upon nomad tribes in Iraq. Sidkey Bey wanted to stamp out a revolt of the Shia tribes in the Middle Euphrates region and demanded an army capable of reinforcement, for which conscription was necessary. But the Government adopted a more moderate attitude, not pressing the issue of conscription.

It is anticipated that the new Cabinet will enforce the general conscription law. If so there is likely to be general trouble, as all the tribes are opposed to the idea. Sidiqi is known to favour ruthless methods.

It is believed that the trouble, if it develops, will divert attention from Palestine and the Pan-Arab issue. On the other hand if the Iraqi tribes revolt there is a likelihood that this will lead to general unrest in the Middle East.—Reuter.

H.M.S. Grimsby is due in port from Singapore at 6 p.m. to-day.

SEVENTY CHILDREN KILLED

VICTIMS OF AIR RAID AT GETAFE

MOMENTOUS SPEECH BY DUCE EXPECTED TO-MORROW

London, To-day. Reuter's special correspondent at Park on the Madrid front reports that death dropped among 100 school-children playing in the sunlit streets of Getafe yesterday. Over 70 were picked up dead following an insurgent air-raid by three bombers, apparently aiming at a convoy of Government lorries. Most of the dead children were blown to bits.

There were heartrending scenes as the parents searched for their little ones. Reuter's special correspondent saw a woman carrying a two-year old girl with half her face blown away, but still alive, with her eyes wide open in surprise as if asking who could have done it.

Madrid: Fifteen to 25 people, including a six-months' old baby, were killed in an air-raid on the capital yesterday, while 190 people were wounded. Two Scottish ambulances were destroyed in the air-raid at Parla. The staff were not injured.



Milan: A political pronouncement of the first importance is expected to be made by Signor Mussolini when he addresses a huge crowd in the Cathedral Square here at 3 p.m., G.M.T., to-morrow.

There is no confirmation of the rumour that he will announce recognition of General Franco's Government, but it is expected that Italy and Germany will recognise the insurgents when they enter Madrid.

The speech will be broadcast and immediately afterwards English, French and German summaries will be transmitted by radio.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS

The following Government appointments etc. are notified in the Government Gazette:—

Mr. Thomas Stodart Whyte-Smith resumed duty as Land Officer on October 28;

Mr. Myles John Abbott relinquished duty as Assistant Land Officer on October 28, and as Deputy Registrar of Marriages on October 29;

Mr. Robert Hornsby Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., to be an Unofficial Member of the Executive Council for a period of five years, with effect from July 9;

The Hon. Mr. Richard McNeil Henderson, M. Inst. C.E., M. Inst. Mech. E., resumed duty as Director of Public Works on October 28.

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FRANCE'S AIR FORCE

50 Per Cent. Increase In Machines

Paris, To-day. The number of French fighting planes will be increased by 50 per cent., the Air Force effective increased by 10,000 and there will be 1,000 new officers according to a decision taken at the recent Council of Ministers held on Wednesday last.—Reuter.

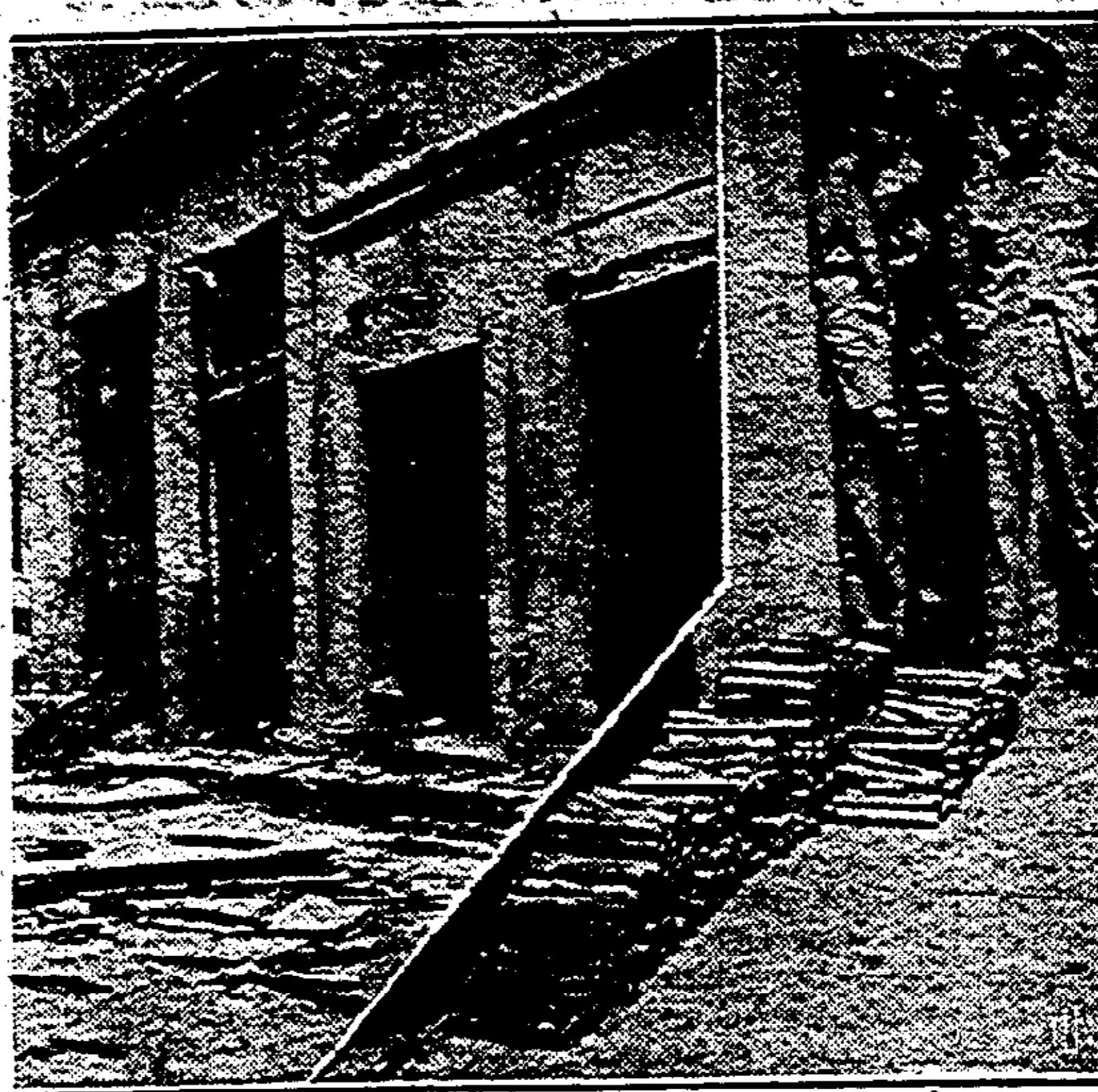
ROOSEVELT ON N.R.A.

POSSIBILITY OF A STATEMENT

DAMAGING CRITICISM BY REPUBLICANS

New York, To-day. So far President Roosevelt has given very little indication of his plans in the event of re-election, but speculation hinges on whether he may not yet make a stirring announcement concerning the National Recovery Administration in reply to the questions by Governor Alfred Landon. Democrats are aware of the damaging effect of the Republicans' continued assertions and that the 11,000,000 people still unemployed realize that

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At the left is the wrecked plant of the Havana newspaper El País following the explosion of a small truck loaded with 1,500 pounds of dynamite. At the right is shown some of the 1,500 pounds of dynamite found in a small car outside the plant of another Havana newspaper, El Diario de la Marina, where alert police prevented its explosion. Four were killed in the País blast.

BIG SHIPPING ORDER

Greenock Yards To Be Kept Busy

London, To-day. An order which will keep the Greenock Dockyard Company's works fully engaged for three years has been placed by the Cunard Line. It comprises six 10,000-ton steamers, in addition to four already being constructed in the same yards for the line.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

SHIPPING STRIKE IN AMERICA

Many Vessels Unable To Sail

PACIFIC COAST COMPLETELY TIED UP

New York, To-day.

A strike of 57,000 maritime workers has completely tied up the Pacific coast shipping and is threatening to spread to the west coast, gulf ports and New York.

A "sit-down" strike scheduled to start at noon yesterday in all American ships in New York harbour did not materialise, but the representatives of the maritime unions were expected to attend the seamen's meeting last

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Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, is here shown as he addressed the Good Neighbour League at the Commodore Hotel, New York, last night. He told the league that the United States was ready for disarmament, but that the move must be initiated by European Powers.

COPPER MARKET IN ENGLAND

Interesting Phases Disclosed

URGENT DEMAND FOR METAL

London, To-day.

The phases in the battle between copper producers and consumers with the stakes held by speculators, are daily becoming more interesting. Yesterday's further advance of £7/6, making the price of the Spot metal £42 1/2, appears to indicate that the situation is at least temporarily getting out of hand.

While both consumers and producers are fighting for the same object, which is large deliveries of copper at so-called reasonable prices, the urgency of the demand is so great that Spot has been forced up willy-nilly, with the successive quota releases not yet able to make themselves felt. Consumers, who for the last seven months have carried practically no stocks, are now most rapidly acquiring the metal, the rate of consumption of which is reliably estimated at 2,000,000 tons a year, which is as high as the all-time peak reached in 1929, when the average price of standard copper was £7/5 10s.

The elasticity of the operation of the producers' restriction scheme is most warmly commanded, but it is felt that they will be hardly human if they do not avail themselves of the extra pound or two rise caused by the insistence of the demand, though it is generally accepted that a further quota release is inevitable if the price soon goes around £42 1/2.—Reuter.

RECRUITING FOR BRITISH ARMY

Health Standards Lowered

London, To-day. Slight dental defects and flat feet will no longer disqualify recruits for the British Army, which introduces a new system on December 1 lowering the standard of recruitment. Instead of accepting only men graded as A 1, there will be four categories to be employed in the rearward services, to release others for the front.

INDIGNATION IN LONDON

EMPHATIC DENIAL OF ALLEGATIONS

ADEQUATE REPARATION BY JAPAN HOPED FOR

London, To-day.

"Extraordinarily brutal" is the description applied here to the treatment of three British sailors by the Japanese police at Keeling recently. The Japanese allegations that the men did not pay their bills is emphatically refuted. It is stated that an enquiry instituted by the Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, Admiral Sir Charles Little, proved undoubtedly, despite the Japanese allegations to the contrary, that the sailors paid their taxi-fare and were seen to do so by a Petty Officer who was not with their party.

The enquiry also established that the sailors were sober when taken to the police station, and when they emerged they were badly beaten and battered and one man had his jaw broken.

The British authorities do not object to the police's exercising their proper functions in a case of disorderliness or drunkenness on the part of sailors, although it is generally felt to be known that the Navy feel a great pride in the good behaviour of their ratings when they visit foreign ports. In this particular case complaint lies against the Japanese police for the extraordinarily brutal manner in which the men were treated.

It is recalled that similar earlier episodes have occurred where there has been very good reason to complain against the behaviour of the Japanese police in Manchukuo. Some time ago, it is recalled, a British Indian subject named Thomas was subjected to brutalities when he was detained by the Japanese police, and there have been several other cases where Chinese employees of British residents in Manchukuo have been similarly ill-treated.

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With regard to the postponement of Admiral Sir Charles Little's visit to Japan, it is pointed out that when a new Commander-in-Chief hoists his flag it is the invariable custom that he should pay a courtesy call in Japan, as Sir Charles was intending to do at the end of the month when going to Yokohama, where arrangements had been made for his reception and entertainment.

It is learned that that Chinese Foreign Office at Nanking has sent a protest to the Japanese Embassy against the violation of Chinese sovereignty by the Japanese troops in North China.

General Li Chung-jen, Pacific Commissioner of Kwangsi Province, will pay a visit to the different districts in the province from to-day, so as to inspect the military and social affairs of the whole province.

THREE PROTESTS

Nanking: Three protests have been handed by the Chinese Foreign Office to the Japanese Embassy: (1) against the Japanese army manoeuvres in the Peiping and Tientsin areas; (2) against the incident at Tatyuan, where a house is allegedly to have been occupied by armed Japanese; and (3) against the wild speculations in the Japanese press concerning the assassination of Mr. Yang Yung-tai, Governor of Hengchow, last Sunday.—Reuter.

GENERALISSIMO'S BIRTHDAY

Canton En Fete

Canton, To-day.

Early at four o'clock this morning, the cadets of the Kwangtung Branch of the Military Academy held an assembly to celebrate the 50th Birthday of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. At 9 a.m. at the Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall at Canton a celebration will be held by Government officials and the public organisations. At noon the Chinese gun-boats at Canton will fire a salute of 101 guns and all the planes of the Kwangtung Air Force will take to the air at the same time, as a tribute to the Generalissimo.—From A Special Correspondent.

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STOP PRESS

Manila, To-day. It was reported last night that S. E. Levy and Co., the well-known Shanghai brokerage house, had bought a seat on the Manila Stock Exchange for 25,000 pesos.—Reuter.

Sporting Page



GRAVE DOUBTS REGARDING BOWLING STANDARD IN TESTS



Tay Quee-liang, above, will probably be seen on the South China "A" left-wing against the Recreio and Kowloon Chinese to-day and to-morrow respectively.

RIFLES AND EAST LANCS. CLASH TO-DAY

Good Junior League Programme

ST. JOSEPH'S WEAKENED

The clash between the Royal Ulster Rifles and the East Lancs. should be the outstanding game in a fairly interesting programme in the Second Division of the Hong Kong Football League to-day.

Both teams play football of a high standard for the Second Division and the result of this game should have an important bearing on the League. The Rifles can be relied upon to give good account of themselves and, with the probable return of Boyd, their centre-forward, they should annex both points.

The East Lancs. are a fine all-round team and with Harmsworth at centre-forward, should fully extend their opponents.

The Fusiliers should have no difficulty against the Club. Cresty, erstwhile pivot of the first team, will be in their forward line, though they will miss Sullivan, who had been promoted to the first team.

Kowloon Newcomer

Kowloon meet the Chinese Police and have unfortunately been forced to bring in several reserves as some of their regular players are needed in the first team through vacancies caused by injuries. Harkins, as pivot, is a sound player, and has shown good form so far. Phat, a newcomer, will be tried on the right wing.

In the Third Division Liza will receive their first real test this season when they meet the East Lancs. and, in spite of the excellent showing they had given so far, are in great danger of losing their unbeaten record. The Santos brothers have been the life of the Portuguese attack in all their games, while H. Souza their centre-forward, is a player of great promise who, if gradually and properly trained, should do well in any senior team.

Saints Weakened

St. Joseph's meet the Medicals, but are not expected to win, especially as Victor and O. M. Omar will be absentees. The former is on the sick list and the latter is taking part in the Aitkenhead Shield bowls competition.

Howells should prove the stumbling block to the Saints' forward, while in the forward line Harrison should be a source of worry.

The Fusiliers and the Air Force should win against the Kwong Wah and Ordnance respectively, while the game between the Service Corps and the Recreio should be evenly contested.

MELVILLE LEAVING ENGLAND

London, October 10.—A. Melville, the South African, who has played regularly for Sussex, is returning regularly for Sussex, is returning to Johannesburg, where he has a business appointment.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONS HAVE BIG TASK

TWO SENIOR MATCHES THIS WEEK-END

FUSILIERS CHANGES AGAINST CLUB

LEAGUE champions for the past three seasons, South China "A" have a very stiff programme ahead of them to-day and to-morrow, when they entertain Club de Recreio and visit the Kowloon Chinese respectively in the First Division of the local football League in order to make up for their arrears in the fixture list.

In spite of the absence of Lee Wai-tong, South China "A" are expected to win both games, especially to-day's against the Portuguese combination, against whom, however, they have hitherto always been fully extended, but the Portuguese are at present much weaker than they have been for several seasons.

The possibility of Bernie Gosano returning to the Portuguese attack is at present a remote one, and, as far as his injured knees are concerned, it would probably be far better if he were to conserve his energies for the latter stages of the season. The Portuguese team have youth on their side, but they lack experience.



Cheuk Shek-kam, who played for South China "A" in several of last year's matches, is seen for the "B" team to-morrow.

"ROVER'S" FORECAST

The following are the League soccer fixtures for the coming week-end:

To-day

First Division
Rifles v East Lancs. (Chatham Road, 4.30 p.m.)
Fusiliers v Club (Sooknupoo, 4.30 p.m.)
Navy v Athletic (Causeway Bay, 4.30 p.m.)
Kowloon v Police (Kowloon F.C., 4.30 p.m.)
S. China "A" v Recreio (Caroline Hill, 4.30 p.m.)

Second Division
Rifles v East Lancs. (Chatham Road, 3 p.m.)
South China v Lyemun (Caroline Hill, 3 p.m.)
Fusiliers v Club (Sooknupoo, 3 p.m.)
Navy v Athletic (Causeway Bay, 3 p.m.)
Kowloon v C. Police (Kowloon F.C., 3 p.m.)

Third Division
Liza v East Lancs. (Prince Edward Rd., 3 p.m.)
Medicals v St. Joseph's (Naval ground H.V., 4.30 p.m.)
Service Corps v Recreio (Military H.V., 4.30 p.m.)
Fusiliers v Kwong Wah (Prince Edward Rd., 4.30 p.m.)
Air Force v Ordnance (King's Park, 4.30 p.m.)

To-morrow

First Division
K. Chinese v S. China "A" (Club, 4.15 p.m.)
S. China "B" v St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)
Second Division
K. Chinese v Engineers (Cimb, 2.45 p.m.)
Eastern v S. Cutters (Causeway Bay, 4.15 p.m.)
Third Division
C. Police v E. Police (Kowloon F.C., 4.15 p.m.)
Wednesday (November 4)
KOTEWALL CUP
Navy v Army (Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)

HYAMS AND FRANKS DRAW

London, October 6.—Jack Hyams (Stepney), the Southern area middle-weight champion, drew with Nat Franks (Dalston) over 12 rounds at 1st. 10th. at the Stadium Club, Holborn, last night. Hyams displayed the better foot-work, but his punches were not well judged. In the second round Franks landed with a heavy right which caused a swelling over Hyams' left eye. Later Franks

Fine Army Forward



F. B. TALBOT, of the Royal Welch Fusiliers, is a very fine all-round sportsman, specialising at soccer and cricket.

Born at Brighton, Sussex, he took up soccer at an early age in School, playing at outside-left and later represented Shropshire in the English Schools' Shield—he was then residing in Coventry.

He joined the Royal Welch Fusiliers in 1931 and started playing for the Depot, at Wrexham, at centre-half. He joined the Battalion at Gibraltar, where he played at inside-left for the Battalion and in representative games for the Army against the Home Fleet, the Mediterranean Fleet and Spanish teams.

He continued to play in this position until his arrival in Hong Kong, when an accident to Keneg-han, the Battalion centre-half, forced him to vacate his own berth for that of the injured man. He first came into the local lime-light as a forward in the Island versus Mainland match. He subsequently played for the Colony against Shanghai, in Shanghai, last year, and has been first choice for all Army representative games since.

He has also represented Wales in the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup competition.

Talbot is perhaps just as well-known as a cricketer, but, due to the fact that cricket and soccer clash in the Colony, he has very reluctantly abandoned the former.

He came into prominence in Gibraltar, when he played for the Battalion team which won the Garrison Cup, and later represented Gibraltar against Mr. H. D. G. Lenson-Gower's XI. He is a medium-paced left-hand bowler and a fairly good bat and useful fielder.

Talbot is also a very keen athlete, specialising in the sprints up to the quarter-mile, while he reached the Third Round of the Hong Kong Area Singles lawn tennis championship.

Rapier's Selections For To-morrow

RACE NO. 1—
DIOGENES
BUREGMASTER
COPPER IDOL
Outsider—Ocean View

RACE NO. 2—
CITY LIFE
COUREUR BLEU
EASTLIGHT
Outsider—Merry Fatty

RACE NO. 3—
OLD STAB
BALIOS
KING'S PARADE
Outsider—Shamrock

RACE NO. 4—
SHANGHAI
VICTORY LIFE
WENTWORTH
Outsider—Chocolate

RACE NO. 5—
COUREUR BLEU
EASTLIGHT
LONELY HEART
Outsider—Hurdling Moon

RACE NO. 6—
GINGER
WISDOM STAG
BOUKRA
Outsider—Herculean

GRIMMETT IS PAST HIS BEST

EBELING WILL BE THE MAIN DANGER

E. WHITE A TEST POSSIBILITY

(By J. C. Davis, Australia's leading cricket authority)

Sydney, October 6.

IT seems to be accepted in England and South Africa that Australian bowling, at the moment, is very formidable. But for Test cricket under Australian conditions, that opinion is not so general in Australia. W. J. O'Reilly is undoubtedly a wonderful bowler in the prime of his cricketing life. He is comparable with the best of any period on any kind of wicket.

C. V. Grimmett, however, has reached an age when form on Australian wickets against Test batsmen is not so convincing. A marvel for his years, he still has uncanny judgment and rare precision of pitch for a bowler of his type. But his spin and nip in Australia are not what they are on English and South African wickets.

Against A. P. F. Chapman's team eight years ago Grimmett's Test victims were taken at an average cost of 44.52. In the 1932-3 tour of D. R. Jardine's team he played in only three Tests, securing 5 wickets for 326 runs and averaging 63.20. In Grimmett's favour it may be said that, despite the passing of the years, he was in better form two years ago (his last season in Australia) than in the summer of D. R. Jardine's men.

MR. A. W. BLISS RESIGNS POST OF HON. SECRETARY

H. K. Football Association Again In Difficult Position

Mr. A. W. Bliss has resigned the Hon. Secretoryship of the Hong Kong Football Association, which he took over from Capt. G. W. P. Kinnin, A.E.C., following a period in which the Association were in extreme difficulties.

Over-Bowled

Grimmett has been over-bowled many times in Australia, having been kept on when he had tired. In the coming series Bradman (I am assuming that he will be captain) may handle him in such a way as to keep him fresher. If so, it will help Grimmett. Nevertheless, the high cost of his wickets against the last two English teams in Australia cannot be ignored. His 28 wickets in the two series averaged 48.21.

There is so much uncertainty about Fleetwood-Smith's hand (the trouble being in the third finger of the bowling hand) that until he appears in first-class cricket no one is banking on his being fit for the Tests. If he is fit under the new l.b.w. law he will be an awkward problem for any batsman on the best of wickets.

It will be seen that at the moment a little cloud hovers over the Australian bowling horizon.

The last bowler to be E. L. McCormick, whose form in South Africa was good.

An active, athletic six footer, McCormick commands good pace, and is a bowler apart from speed. He has the stamina fast bowling calls for even under Australian conditions, and is a keen fighting team player. He is also a clever slip fieldsman, though not a batsman of any particular quality.

Dangerous Ebeling

At the moment T. W. Wall may not be thinking seriously about Test honours, but Victoria has another Test possible in T. Leather, who toured India last season with F. H. Tarrant's Australian team. McCormick is not so fast as Albert Cotter was, and Leather is not so fast as McCormick, so the success of the "speed merchants" for Australia is problematical.

Hans Ebeling is a first-class bowler, fast-medium, brainy, persistent and master of the in-swinger. This ball may make him still more dangerous under the amended l.b.w. law. If he spares the time from business for the Tests he will be a dependable ally for McCormick, who may need speed support with the over of eight balls.

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R. W. Bradbury, above, was recently re-elected President of the Craignorwer Cricket Club. He is due back from Home leave sometime next month.

CLUB TO MEET THE SERVICES

Cricket Classic To-day

ONLY ONE LEAGUE MATCH

(By "L.E.W.")

The tit-bit of to-day's cricket programme is the friendly match between the Hong Kong Cricket Club and the United Services who, incidentally, are represented by eight Army players and only three from the Navy. The United Services, on paper, are very strong in batting, though the Navy selectors, and also those who will be picking the United Services teams for the Triangular Tournament, will watch A. B. Marsh, the new Navy bowler, with little interest.

Marsh, a medium-to-fast bowler, kept a very good length when I saw him play for the Navy against the Press last Sunday.

All-Army Game

Two Army teams, "C" and "A", meet in the only League encounter of the day, a Second Division game at Sooknupoo. They have both been previously beaten by Army "B" and on the form shown in the matches referred to, "B" appear to be the stronger of the two sides and should win.

The Indian Recreation Club first eleven will be at home to the Navy in a friendly, while the two junior teams of these clubs will meet at King's Park.

Bowling Weak

With A. R. Minn and A. H. Madar still away from the Colony, the only bowler the I.R.C. have is Frank Pereira, and I do not think he will be able to do much against the Navy. — He failed to get a wicket against them when playing for the Press last Sunday.

The Navy juniors will probably prove too strong for the Indians at King's Park, while Kowloon Cricket Club should win both their matches against the Civil Service Cricket Club, the seniors to meet at King's Park and the juniors at Happy Valley.

TITLE FOR JACKIE BROWN

London, October 6.—Jackie Brown (Manchester), former world's flyweight champion, beat Len Hampton (Bettley) on points over 15 rounds for the northern area bantam-weight championship at Manchester last night.

SOUTHERN AREA TITLE VACANT

London, October 6.—The Southern Council of the British Boxing Board of Control have decided that the Fred Morris and Jack Gibbons have failed to arrange a fight for the Southern area bantam-weight championship, the title shall be declared vacant.

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Some Educational
Problems

It is gratifying to find a prominent local educationist supporting, if not in actual words at least in inference, the view long held by most laymen that the examination fetish in schools ultimately defeats its own ends. The Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell, in the course of his speech at the prizegiving of the Central British School, remarked that "examination results, though important because they are the entre into many walks of life, are not by any means the hallmark of a school." Unfortunately it is difficult to persuade business men of the truth of that statement. They will continue to assess, other things being equal, the capabilities of a diploma-holder, at something higher than those of the youth who has no such magic talisman to facilitate his entry into the world; and as a result they will continue to give employment, very often, to the boy in whom brilliance displaces the sheer ability to plod, to the youth who gets his results by flashes of native skill as opposed to the much more valuable qualities of determination and grit. In short, it is not by any means always the boy who wins examinations who is really worth his salt, nor should the examination successes of a school necessarily be considered the brightest part of its record.

One sees, of course, the point, that some sort of a yardstick of general capability is required, and that examination diplomas provide an easy and more or less reliable criterion for the purpose. The school-leaving certificate, for example, presupposes that the pupil has reached a certain level of accomplishment in certain school subjects; it forms a general yardstick of the standard to which he has attained. But just as "Failed B.A." is frequently cited as a recommendation by Indians looking for a job, so the lack of a particular certificate should not necessarily be held to exclude an aspirant from a particular position. For examinations are generally brilliantly taken in their stride by clever boys, as opposed to hard-working boys, by brilliant students rather than those who have given the most application to their learning. In Mr. Upsdell's words: "The character of the children and their ability to fit into the corporate life of the community are among other things extremely important."

Discussion of these and allied subjects again raises that hardly annual, the question of homework for school-children. We have no hesitation in expressing the opinion that homework is an abomination and should find no place in any up-to-date educational system. It is a bugbear to most children; it is a positive danger to those who are slow in assimilating knowledge or find it difficult to marshal their conclusions. It results in the large majority of cases in "cramming" to a positively harmful extent. There is also the point that children at school, just as much as adult workers during the day, are entitled to their own leisure after working hours are done. Regulate that leisure as far as possible, by all means; but the actual study of school-children should be kept strictly within the watertight compartment of school working hours and not be permitted to overflow in the form of homework. All this applies equally to that mental long run.

COURT PROTEST
TO COUNSEL\$60 Handed Over In
Theft Charge"A MOST IMPROPER
PROCEEDING"

A protest was made by magistrates and clerk at Stratford police court last month when Mr. Lionel Jellinck, defending in a case, handed \$60 in notes to Mr. Percy Lamb, for the prosecution.

The case was one in which James Alexander Colville, aged 35, a timber buyer, was charged with having stolen \$50 from his employers, Commercial Sundries Ltd. of Leyton.

He was also charged with having obtained, by two false cheques, \$3 from Joseph Jones, of the Angel Hotel, Colchester.

At the first hearing it was stated that Colville obtained \$60 from the cashier to the firm with the object of paying a deposit on a deal in timber. He went on a holiday and did not return to work.

When the prosecution's case finished Mr. Jellinck submitted there was no case to answer. Colville always meant to repay the loan and the money was in court.

"Etiquette Of The Bar"

Mr. Jellinck then handed a roll of notes to Mr. Lamb.

Mr. L. H. Walden (chief clerk) is that the correct way of doing things?

Mr. Jellinck: Colville is repaying to the firm the \$60 he has borrowed.

After the magistrates had consulted in private, Ald. Dane (chairman) said the Bench had decided to send prisoner for trial. They could not help having noticed the passing of the \$60 and considered it was a most improper proceeding.

Mr. Lamb hoped the Bench did not think his action was improper in taking money which belonged to his client.

The Clerk: A most improper proceeding.

Ald. Dane: Many persons in the dock would like to get out of it in that way. I do not know the etiquette among gentlemen of the Bar, but we think it a most improper thing to do.

Mr. Jellinck: If it is improper to give it is equally improper to take.

Mr. Lamb: I accept your criticism and will hand the money back. This he did. If anything improper has been done in court it is now rectified.

Ald. Dane: It is at an end. Colville was then committed to Essex Quarter Sessions.

Yours Daily Smile!

Be careful of plausible strangers in railway carriages. A correspondent allowed himself to be drawn into conversation by a fellow traveller and after a short time found himself suddenly cornered and helplessly listening to a long tale of a two-yard putt at the ninth. —Punch.

The skipper of the Queen Mary made no effort to break the trans-Atlantic record on the first round trip. He had to give the passengers time to write all their postcards.

A reformer says nine-tenths of our criminals never are punished. Brother, did you ever see a criminal lawyer's bill?

Torture to any conscientious child, the "holiday task," giving rise in most cases to a most unhealthy dread and foreboding in case it should not be wholly accomplished or performed to the master's absolute satisfaction. We are quite convinced that the mental harm its contemplation does is not by any means balanced by the actual educational benefits to be derived from it. Not all the balderdash that is talked about child psychology can be trusted, but when our neo-educationists condemn these practices we, personally at least, feel that they are talking sound commonsense. The experiment of absolutely abolishing homework and holiday tasks might well be tried temporarily. We are convinced that the general gain to the mental happiness and contentment of the child would be most marked, and would be found to justify itself in the long run.

Here
There
and
Everywhere

BEECHAM IN A NEW ROLE

Important changes have been made in the board of the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

Mr. Samuel Courtauld has resigned the chairmanship, and Mr. Robert Mayer, well known in musical circles for the Children's Concerts which every season are given in London under his auspices, has ceased to be a director.

Sir Thomas Beecham now becomes chairman, and it is understood that Mr. Philip Emanuel replaces Mr. Mayer. Lord Esher retains his seat on the board.

Under Sir Thomas Beecham's baton the L.P.O.—which he was largely instrumental in founding four years ago—has won an international reputation.

At that time he preferred not to sit on the board. His large public will hope that the additional responsibilities he is now shouldering will not take toll of the energies which music rightly claims.

HOGARTHIAN MARKET

"Pedlar's Market," better known as the Caledonian Market—now threatened with extinction to make way for houses or flats—has been well described as the best approximation to a Hogarthian scene that modern London can show.

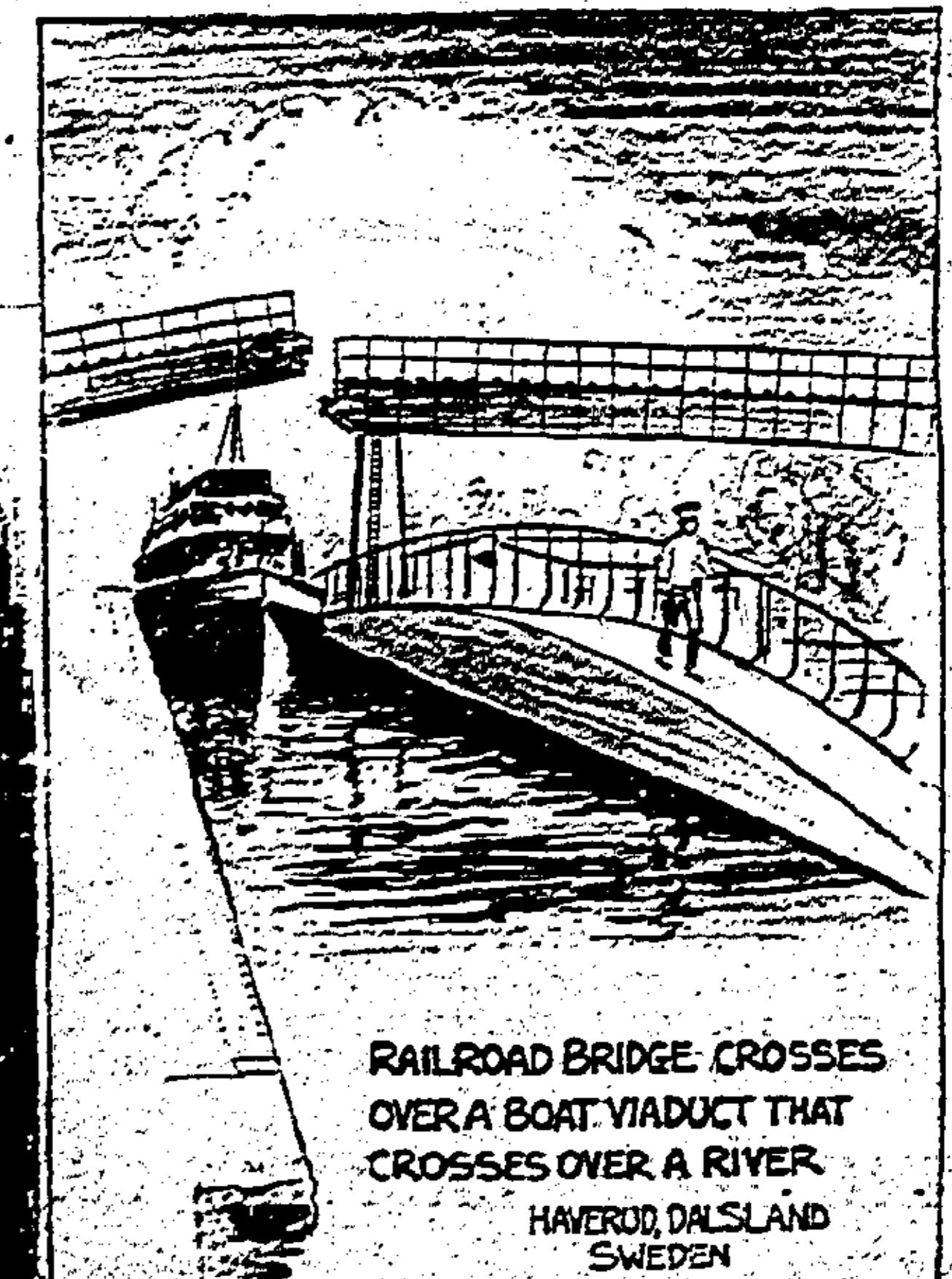
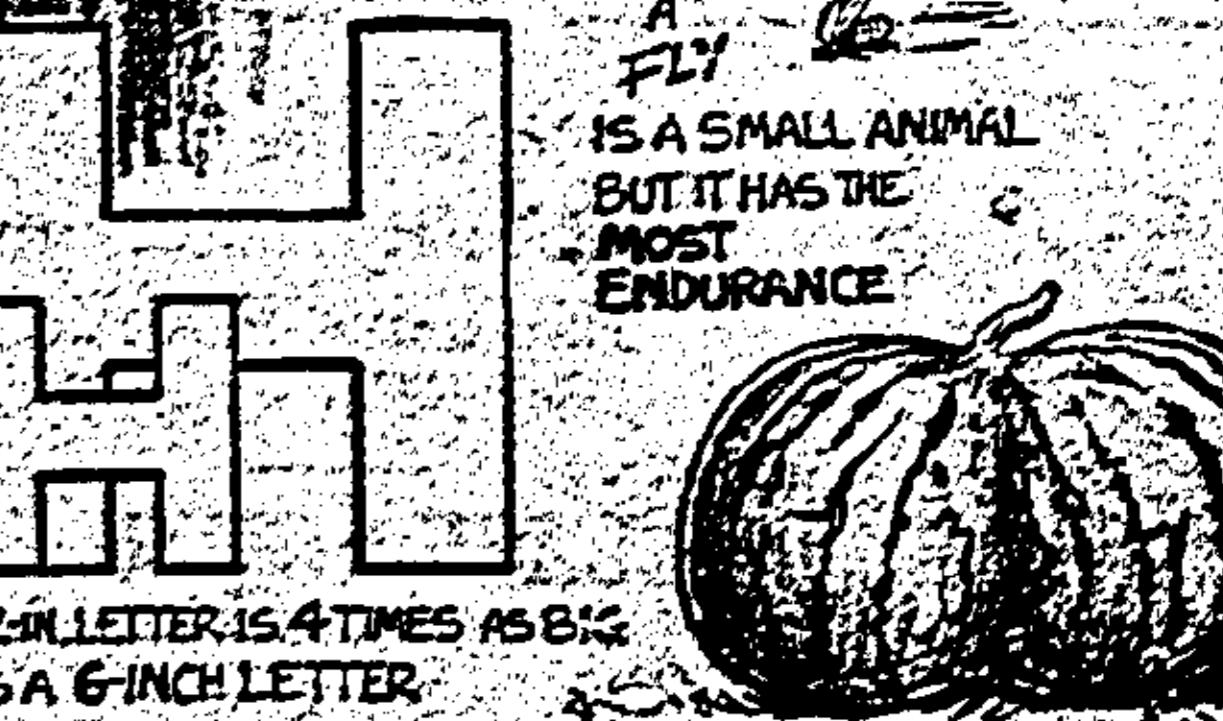
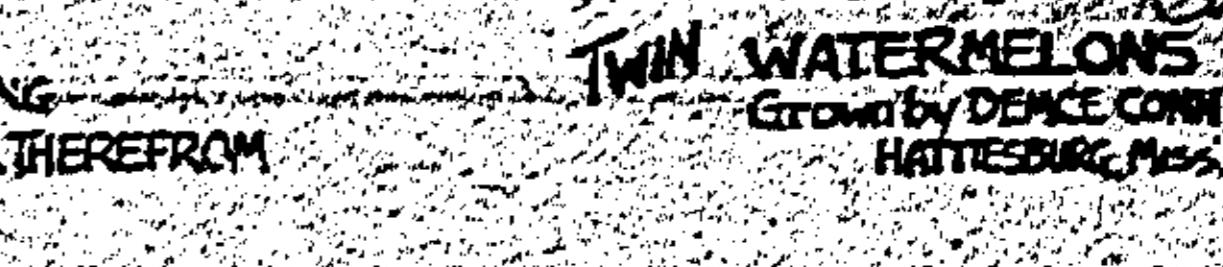
Many of the stories of treasures picked up there for next to nothing are doubtless fiction. But some are perfectly well authenticated.

Here is one. Four years ago a woman purchased a string of dark beads. A famous jeweller pronounced them to be real black pearls, and they changed hands for £20,000.

Another lucky bargainer bought for 15s from a pedlar's barrow a globe map of the world made in opals by a clever lapidary. Two years earlier it had been accidentally left in a teashop.

According to the Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports, nine cases of cholera occurred in Calcutta and Madras, respectively, while in Rangoon five cases of small-pox were reported during the week ended October 24. Only one case of plague was recorded in the east, and that occurred in Colombo.

"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley

ANAGRAM OF
FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT
IS
DESERVE TALL RANK, NO FOOLIN'RAILROAD BRIDGE CROSSES
OVER A BOAT VIADUCT THAT
CROSSES OVER A RIVERHAVERÖD, DALSLAND
SWEDENA FLY
IS A SMALL ANIMAL
BUT IT HAS THE
MOST ENDURANCETWIN WATERMELONS
GROWN BY DENICE COFF
HATIESBURG, MISS.FUNDAMENTAL NEEDS
IN FRIENDSHIP
ADVICE TO LONELY
PERSONS
UNDERSTANDING AND LOYALTY
THE ONLY FOUNDATIONS

By Godfrey Winn

IT is easier to make friends the first time and be a real friend of his to-morrow. Your friend is still inevitably them. In fact the one thing that is dead easy is to sit about.

There is an apprenticeship to be served in friendship, as in every other branch of life. Time is an important factor. You may feel at so once well disposed towards someone, you may be instantly intrigued and attracted to their personality, but that is not enough. To assert, as I am always hearing people do, "Oh, I met such a nice person at a party last week, and we are great friends," is simply to betray ignorance of the real meaning of the word "friendship."

Don't Rush New Friends

Never rush things, however lonely you may be for want of human companionship. I know it's difficult sometimes not to launch an avalanche of overtures at new-found friends; to do so may flatter them into acceptance of invitations, but it is much more likely to embarrass and upset them as being a trespass on their private life.

Never forget that everyone else has their own life to lead as well as you, and if you want to share in their interests you must first go warily to see whether such a delicate engineering feat is possible.

But even when it is accomplished and a bond of real understanding has been born between you, do take care not to trade on that understanding.

Share Alike

Of course, selfish friendship is a contradiction in terms, but many women fail to realize that fact, and in consequence are surprised, if not indignant, when their one-sided affair peters out.

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LOCAL SCOTSMEN FOREGATHER

Annual Hallowe'en Dinner

VOLUNTEERS PLAY HOSTS

The Scottish Company of the Hong Kong Volunteers held its annual Hallowe'en dinner last night when over 200 prominent Scotsmen of the Colony and men of the Scottish Company sat down to dinner at Headquarters. Among the guests sitting at the official table with Capt. H. R. Forsyth, O. C. Scottish Company, were: Lieut.-Col. R. C. B. Anderson, Commandant; Mr. R. M. McLay, Chieftain; Sir Atholl MacGregor, Mr. A. S. Mackiehan, Mr. J. R. Mason, Dr. G. D. R. Black, Col. H. C. Harrison, Major H. A. Davies, Lieut.-Col. H. B. L. Duggin, Major Duclou, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow, Major E. J. R. Mitchell and Mr. A. Stevenson.

A typical Scottish Bill o' Fare included Guid Scotch Broth, Tawties an' Herrin' and, most important of all "The Haggis." Traditionally, "The Haggis" was piped in by the Company Pipe Major, Mackie, while whoops and cheers accompanied it on its long procession round the tables to the main table. The chief guests were first supplied and toasted with the Chairman in the ceremonial manner, then the Company hosts at each table drank with the Chairman and finally they supplied each of their guests.

The Loyal Toast

Following dinner, the Loyal Toast was proposed by Capt. Forsyth who was again on his feet a few moments later with the toast to "The Guests." In a long and humorous discourse on Company activities he struck serious patches when commanding the good relations between the Volunteers and the regular Army.

Speaking on recruiting, he said he advocated the efficiency of the Company as the best attraction for recruits. It was possible, he added, that the Scottish Company would yet manage to get in their annual camp as it was hoped that they might be able to arrange it in conjunction with the Seaforth Highlanders in February.

Mr. McLay Replies

Capt. Forsyth said he was very glad to see so many friends present as their guests, in particular their Chieftain, Mr. McLay. He proposed the health of their guests.

The Chieftain replied in a brief speech thanking the Scottish Company for their hospitality. One point he wished to emphasise was that more men should turn out for the Sunday parades.

In response to requests, Sir Atholl MacGregor also addressed the company and regaled them with some witty reminiscences.

The "Four Featherweights," with a skilful Four-some Reel, the Tilquhillie Tenants with songs, and the Company Pipers with music, provided the entertainment which was concluded with the singing of the National Anthem and *Aud Lang Syne*.

LOCAL ESTATES

Bank Clerk Leaves

\$39,700

Local estate to the value of \$39,700 was left by the late Mr. Oswin Anthony Swithin de Souza, bank clerk, formerly of No. 14, Niven Road, Singapore, who died on June 5 last. An application by Mr. M. M. Watson, solicitor, the lawful attorney, for sealing certified copy of grant of probate, has been allowed.

The late Mr. C. S. Lam, alias Matthew Jan Woo, restaurant proprietor, formerly of 13½, Summers Street, Charleston, Kanawha County, West Virginia, U.S.A., left local estate amounting to \$15,400. The deceased passed away at the City of Wheeling, West Virginia, on or about June 23, 1933. Letters of administration with the will annexed have been granted to Mr. D. H. Blake, solicitor, the lawful attorney.

Formerly of 19 Foregate Street, Worcester, the late Mr. Francis Garrison Hyde, solicitor, left local estate worth \$200. Mr. Hyde died at South Bank Nursing Home, Bath Road, Worcester, on March 10 last. An application by Mr. M. M. Watson, solicitor, the lawful attorney, for sealing certified copy of grant of probate, has been allowed.



President Franklin D. Roosevelt is shown here at Asheville, North Carolina, receiving a gift of a headdress from Chief of the Cherokee Indians of the Smoky mountains of the State.

LARGE GATHERING AT FUNERAL

Mr. Dawood Rumjahn Laid To Rest

MANY FLORAL TRIBUTES RECEIVED

The funeral of Mr. Dawood Rumjahn, who passed away at his residence in Wong Nei Cheong Road on Thursday, was held in the Muslim Cemetery yesterday when a large number of relatives and friends gathered to pay their last respects.

Maulevi Mohammed Noor conducted the services both in the Mosque and at the graveside, and in addition to Mr. H. D. Rumjahn, (son), Mr. U. M. Omar (son-in-law), Mr. U. Rumjahn (brother), Messrs. S. R. Curreem (brother-in-law), Messrs. A. H. Rumjahn, A. A. Rumjahn, S. A. Rumjahn, A. Manan Rumjahn, A. Manub Rumjahn, J.S.A. Curreem and I.S.A. Curreem (nephews), those present included Haji A. R. Abbas, Messrs. M. Abdulla, E. Abraham, M. Y. Adal, A. E. Arculli, E. el Arculli, A. R. M. Arculli, M. el Arculli, A. R. M. Arab, Dr. V. N. Atienza, Messrs. M. Azim, A. A. Aziz, A. Baker, A. T. Barma, H. T. Barma, R. Basa, C. Brown, S.A.B. Bux, S. O. Bux, S.A.R. Bux, S. H. Bux, S. Cassumbay, Kenneth Chan, Choa Po-yiu, Robert Choa, A. E. Coates, A. E. Dallah, M. E. Deb, A.R.H. Esmail, A. V. Gosano, F. Grose, L. A. Gutierrez, M. Hassan, S. Hamet, J. Hoozen, M. O. Hoozen, A. J. Hussain, S. Ismail, S. R. Ismail, S. D. Ismail, S.A.R. Ismail, Iqbal M. Singh, M. A. Khan, Dr. Irving Kew, Messrs. Peter H. Leong, A. O. Madar, M. P. Madar, B. G. Marlar, C. G. Marlar, Chief Inspector R.H.E. Marks, C. E. Marques, A. K. Minu, F. Mody, F. K. Modi, Ng Sze-kwong, Haji Nazarin, Messrs. R. Nazarin, K. Nazarin, R. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, O. M. Omar, A. J. Osmund, R. P. Phillips, M. Rafeek, A. Rahmin, A. K. Rahummed, M. A. Razack, A. A. Razack, D.M.A. Razack, I.M.A. Razack, C. S. Rosselet, E. Sadick, O. R. Sadick, S. Seher, Dr. S.A.M. Seher, Messrs. S. Soondaram, W. Stoker, A. G. Suffiad, A. R. Suffiad, A.R.M. Samy, A.F.B. Silva-Netto, Tsu Ho-teung, Haji Wahab, Messrs. A. M. Wahab, W. K. Way, J. N. Wong, and many others.

Although it is not customary to send wreaths at a Muslim funeral, a large number of floral tributes were received.

SHIPPING STRIKE IN AMERICA

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night to vote on the question of a walk-out. Meanwhile Mr. Perkins, of the Labour Federation, is attempting to bring the shipowners and workers together for further negotiations and President Roosevelt's new Maritime Commission is also examining the situation.

The strike has brought to a standstill 119 vessels, including 27 foreign ships in Pacific ports, but it is believed that foreign craft will be permitted to sail without taking on more cargo. As a result of the strike the sailing from New York of the inter-coastal liner Virginia with 500 passengers aboard has been postponed. —Reuter.

LOCAL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Four Fatalities Reported

29 PEOPLE INJURED

In the Colony, of Hong Kong, including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ended at 8 a.m. on Saturday last, there were, altogether 56 traffic accidents, as the result of which four persons were killed and 29 persons were injured.

Of the persons killed, a Chinese girl died as the result of injuries received when she was knocked down by a motor-lorry whilst running across the street. A Chinese boy, who ran across the road in front of a motor bus, was knocked down and fatally injured. A Chinese male died as the result of injuries received when he was knocked down by a motor-lorry whilst running across the street. A Chinese child, aged 3 years, died as the result of injuries received, when it was knocked to the roadway from its father's arm. The father was struck by a private motor-car while walking across the road.

Of the persons injured, 17 were pedestrians who were either walking or running across the road or playing in the roadway and were struck by vehicles.

Four bus passengers and four tramcar passengers were injured whilst alighting from moving motor-buses and tramcars respectively. Two lorry passengers were injured through falling from moving motor-lorries.

One motor-car driver was injured when his vehicle came into collision with a tree. A motor-car driver was injured as the result of a collision between two vehicles.

Of the 56 accidents, 14 were collisions between vehicles; 25 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 17 accidents were due to other causes.

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have been received by Reuter:—

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October ... 11.24 11.20

Spot ... 12.11 12.06

New York Rubber: December ... 16.79 16.98
January ... 16.80 17.00
March ... 16.82 17.07
May ... 11.84 17.10
July ... 16.86 17.12
September ... 16.88b 17.14

Chicago Wheat: December ... 114½ 113½
May ... 113½ 112½
July ... 99½ 99

Winnipeg Wheat: December ... 93½ 94
May ... 89½ 89½
July ... 86½ 86½

May ... 107½ 105½

May ... 107½ 106½

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

All new firms and other organisations are requested to send in at once particulars to the office of *Newspaper Enterprise Limited*, No. 34 Wyndham Street, for inclusion in the 1937 *Dollar Directory*. Also those firms, institutions and clubs who have not done so, are requested to return lists of particulars sent them for revision.

The *as Comte Verd* is expected here to-morrow morning and will sail for Europe, via ports, to-morrow at 2 p.m.

Two cases of diphtheria and three cases of typhoid were reported to the local health authorities during the 24 hours ended last Thursday.

The annual *Al Fresco Fete* of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, at Chatham Road, Kowloon, will be opened by the Most Rev. Bishop Valtorta at 3.30 p.m. to-morrow.

A *Gazette* notification states that the name of the Orient Photoplay, Ltd., has been struck off the Register.

There will be no dinner dance at Repulse Bay Hotel to-day, but the usual tea dance will be held to-morrow at 5 p.m. A half-hourly bus service will operate in the afternoon.

The Hong Kong Travel Association acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following subscriptions: China Light and Power Co., Ltd., \$100 and Messrs. Gilman and Co. Ltd. \$50.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that the King's Executive empowering Herr Hermann Gipperich to act as Consul-General at Hong Kong has received His Majesty's signature; and that during the absence from the Colony of Herr Gipperich, Mr. A. Gelewsky will, until further notice, be in charge of the Consulate-General for Germany.

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The Director of St. John Ambulance Brigade has the honour to acknowledge with grateful appreciation and thanks the receipt of the following donation:—Mr. and Mrs. Fung Ki Cheuk \$100.

Dr. A. W. Herre, Professor of Ichthyology of Stanford University, California, who has been commissioned by the *Fishery Bureau* of the United States Government to make an investigation of fishery enterprises along the Pacific Coast, is expected in Hong Kong on November 5, and will stay here about a week, as the guest of Dr. G. A. C. Herklotz. It is hoped that he will give an address to the local *Aquarium Society*.

An address by the Hon. Mr. K. Lo was given to the Hong Kong University Arts Association last night at the University Union Hall, where a large assembly was present to hear the speaker's paper on "Some observations on the laws of the Colony in relation to the Chinese." Mr. Cheng Yunn-

HAMMOND'S THIRD CENTURY

M.C.C. FIND WARD DIFFICULT

Adelaide, To-day.

The M.C.C. tourists commenced their third match of the tour, against South Australia, yesterday, but apart from Wally Hammond, who made his third century of the tour, the rest of the side failed badly. Hammond was very restrained and took 188 minutes scoring 104, which included 10 boundaries.

M.C.C.: 233 (Hammond 104, Verity 31; F. Ward 5 for 73, C. V. Grimm 2 for 62). South Australia: 1 for 11. —Reuter.

HAMMOND'S RECORD

Hammond's figures for the four matches played so far are given below:

141 v Western Australia, at Perth
107 v Western Australia (combined) at Perth
40 v Clare (one day) at Clare
104 v South Australia, at Adelaide.

ARGONAUTA HOCKEY TEAM FOR TO-MORROW

The following will represent the Gruppo Desportivo Argonauta against the Hong Kong Hockey Club in the Association intersection hockey tournament fixture to-morrow on the Club ground, King's Park, at 10.30 a.m.: U. B. Sousa; E. Gosano, R. Xavier; R. Marques, L. Oliveira; T. Alves; F. Nolasco, A. S. Xavier; E. Gosano, A. Angelo and L. Gosano.

PRESENTATION TO MR. W. A. BELL

"Shell" Executive Leaving

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS WITH THE FIRM

At Shell House last Wednesday the combined local staff (Hong Kong and outports) of Asiatic Petroleum Co., (S.C.) Ltd., made a presentation of a beautiful silver tea service to Mr. W. H. Bell, the General Manager, who is leaving the Colony on retirement to-day.

Mr. A. J. Bursley, who acted as spokesman for the local staff, voiced the genuine regret felt by them all at Mr. Bell's impending departure, and said that the gift was a token of their affection and esteem. He added that the manufacturers had guaranteed the tea service to last a life-time, and all present (the entire staff of the local office) sincerely hoped they had a guarantee in Mr. Bell's cheerful disposition and robust health and that he would enjoy many happy years in retirement.

Mr. Bell's Reply

Mr. Bell in reply thanked the donors for their beautiful gift and expressed his appreciation for the goodwill which prompted the presentation. Mr. Bell paid a tribute to the loyalty and efficiency of the local staff, and said that their relations over a long period of years were such that he felt they were all members of a happy family.

In conclusion Mr. Bell feelingly referred to the difficulty he felt in trying to express his emotions on the eve of terminating an association of 25 years.

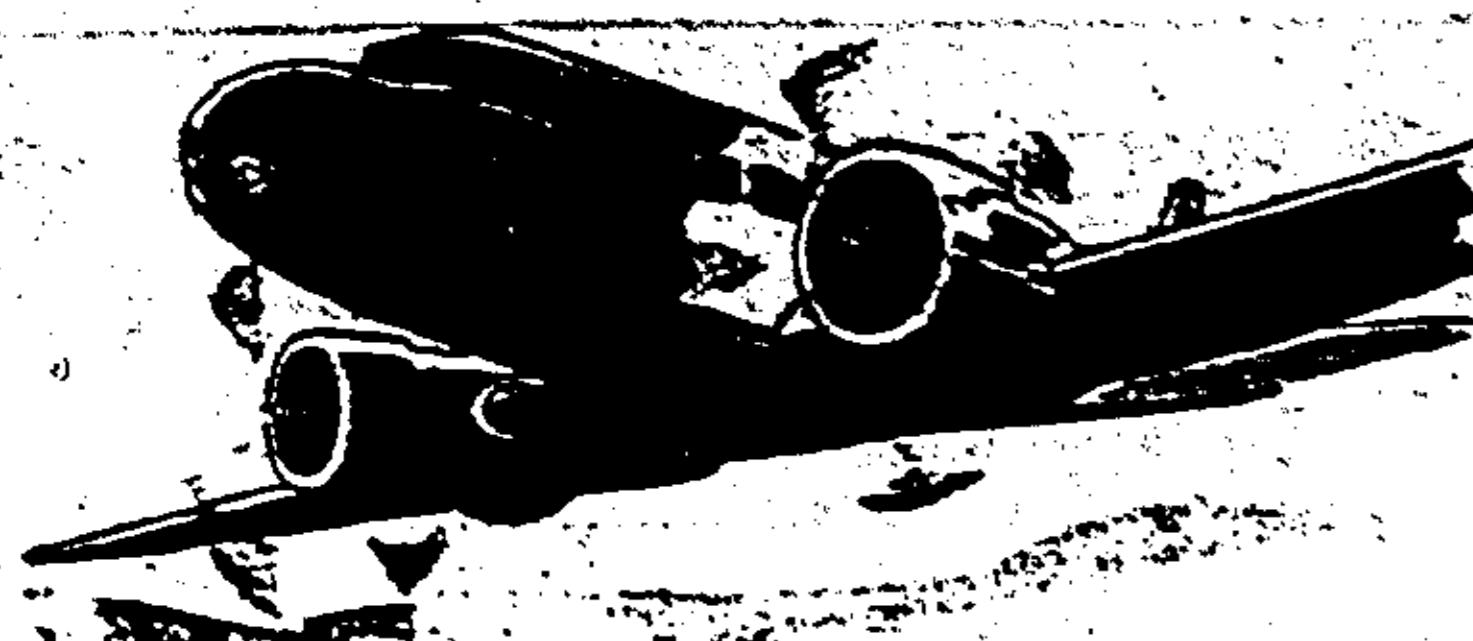
The proceedings were concluded with three hearty cheers and a "tiger" for Mr. Bell.

Yuen was the Chairman. The Hon. Mr. Lo spoke of the special provisions for Chinese contained in the Hong Kong Ordinances, but suggested that a revision of law was necessary concerning the calling of expert evidence on Chinese customs.

POPULAR VARIETY RECORDS: COLUMBIA AND PATHÉ

Heddygarden.

C 285	But Where Are You	Turner, Leyton.
C 287	My Plane And Me	Turner, Leyton.
C 102	Poem's Tango	Spanish Orch.
C 234	Beautiful Lady In Blue	Maria Harp Lorenzi.
C 290	Everything Stops For Tea	E.B.C. Dance Orch.
BC10036	When I Grow Too Old To Dream	When I Grow Too Old To Dream.
BC10052	Rose Marie	Ted Fio Ritter Orch.
C 103	Indian Love Call	Bing Crosby.
C 143	Would You	Bing Crosby.
C 143	Lovely Lady	Bing Crosby.
C 108	On With The Waltz	Sebastien Gipsy Orch.



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ROMANCE IN
AIR STAMPSGain Popularity As
Prices Climb

EXPERT INTERVIEWED

Airmail philately as a hobby's making wide progress. According to an expert member of one of the largest stamp auctioning firms in London, more and more collectors are taking an interest in this branch of stamp collecting.

There is romance about the flying-mail which appeals to the imagination, this dealer said, in an interview. He pointed out one of the actual letters which Harry Hawker carried with him when he made the first attempt to fly non-stop across the Atlantic from Newfoundland to Ireland. The flight ended in a forced descent in mid-ocean. Hawker and his navigator were picked up by a small steamer while the aeroplane with its bag of special mails was salvaged by another vessel. The salt-water stains on the letter are a reminder of that adventure.

U. S. Error

Another intriguing story of airmail stamps concerns an error made by the United States in 1919. It was decided to print some special stamps for the trans-continental air service. One sheet of 100 stamps was issued with the aeroplane in the centre upside down. The stamps actually went into circulation. The price of any which came on the market reached about \$50 apiece. To-day if one appears it will fetch, perhaps, \$600.

AEROPLANE CARRIES SHOT
BEATER TO HOSPITAL

Journey Through Fog

Glasgow.—A Northern and Scottish Airways plane flew from sky to Coll in response to an urgent message recently to take on board a beater who was injured in a shooting accident on the moors.

He was John McInnes, of Corraig Lodge, and he had been shot in the foot. He was conveyed to Glasgow Royal Infirmary.

The plane made the journey through thick fog.

PLANE CRASHES
IN STREETGirl Passenger
Trapped

Several people ran for safety when an aeroplane crashed in Elmwood-avenue, Feltham, Middlesex, one afternoon recently. There was very little traffic at the time, and, though the plane landed upside down in the middle of the roadway, no passer-by was hit.

Capt. J. J. Glenn, of Hampton Court, the pilot, and Miss Irene Park, aged 15, a passenger, were slightly injured.

The under-carriage struck a sewerage stackpipe as the plane was taking off from Hanworth Aerodrome, causing the plane to overturn and crash in the avenue, which ran alongside the aerodrome.

Miss Park was trapped under the machine, which had to be lifted before she was freed. She was suffering from cuts and shock, and was taken to hospital in a car.

Capt. Glenn returned to the Hanworth Flying Club for his car and drove himself to the hospital. He had received cuts on the hands and face. Both patients were allowed to go home after treatment.

The machine was badly damaged, and the wreckage held up traffic for over an hour.

Armistice Sunday
Band ConcertVery Fine Programme
Arranged

By kind permission of Lieutenant Colonel A. C. Marsh and Officers of the Band of the 2nd Battalion, The East Lancashire Regiment will be the following programme of music at the Peninsula Hotel, on Armistice Sunday, November 11, commencing at 9 p.m.:

PROGRAMME

1. March Pot-Pourri
"Passing of the Regiments" arr. Winter

Nothing stirs the imagination so much as a good rousing military march and here we have a selection of excerpts from such works by famous composers. Marches were originally written for marching purposes and in many cases were composed to commemorate some historical event in which the British army took part. Consider a few of the titles:—

"Gallant Serbia" ... those momentous days in 1914.

"Punjab" ... the Army's long service in India.

"The Last Stand" ... which might have been dedicated to many heroic deeds when British troops fought with their backs to the wall.

There are many others which will be instantly recognised and a word of praise is due to the arranger, who has very cleverly and patiently made this pot-pourri a worthy sequel to the already well-known "Martial Moments."

2. Overture

"Light Cavalry" Suppe

One of Franz Von Suppe's best known concert overtures and, although extensively played by Orchestra and military band alike, it never becomes tiresome to the listener. The overture opens with a form of cavalry call given out on the cornets for three bars, and then it is answered by the full band. The call is then taken up successively by horns, clarinets and finally by the brass section, whilst the woodwind play a rather florid semi-quaver figure which adds contrast. This leads us to an Allegro, when the clarinets break into a staccato melody followed by a brilliant 6/8 at the end of which is a short clarinet cadenza. Continuing, we find ourselves listening to a plaintive theme given out by the clarinets and saxophones which has a very light accompaniment until, suddenly, without warning we again meet the brilliant 6/8 which brings the work to a fitting close, the brass predominating with the original cavalry call.

3. Entr'acte

"The Valley of Poppies" Aneil

4. Selection from Sullivan's Opera "Iolanthe"

Introducing:—

"Chorus of Fairies"

Chorus of Peers

"Duetto—None shall part us"

"The Sentry Song"

"The Lord Chancellor's Song"

"When Britain really ruled the waves"

"Oh Foolish Fay"—

Chorus Finale.

5. "The Moonlight Sonata" Beethoven

1st Movement:—Adagio Sostenuto.

2nd Movement:—Allegretto.

3rd Movement:—Presto Agitato.

Ludwig Van Beethoven was

born at Bonn-on-Rhine in 1770

and died in Vienna in 1827. He

became a great concert pianist and is

to-day considered the greatest

composer of all time.

6. Selection from the Play "The Chocolate Soldier" Oscar Straus

Introduction:—

"The Chocolate Soldier"

Come, Come, my Hero.

Sympathy—"The Bulgarians"—

Thank the Lord the War is over.

Falling in Love—Forgive, forgive.

That would be lovely—The Letter Song—Finale.

7. (a) Serenade

"Suzietta" Von Blon

(b) Cornet Solo.

"Eyes of Picardy" Wood

Soloist—Bandsman W. Foster

8. Excerpts from the Opera "Madame Butterfly" Puccini

This opera is perhaps the greatest of Puccini's operatic successes and his skill in maintaining his individuality, at the same time handling the Japanese idiom and in creating an appropriate atmosphere, is evident throughout his selection.

Listen for the following well-known songs:—

"It's love or fancy, I cannot tell you" (Pinkerton).

"Shake that tree 'till every flower" (Butterfly).

"Ev'ry flower: Butterfly, ev'ry flower" (Suzuki).

"O' Kami, O' Kami" (Chorus).

"Farewell O Happy home, Farewell home of love" (Pinkerton).

"One fine day, we'll notice a thread of smoke arising on the sea" (Butterfly).

"My son sent to me from Heaven, straight from the

throne of glory" (Butterfly).

9. Medley of famous waltzes

"Dream of the Waltz" arr. Wright

Including:—

"The Quaker Girl"—"Bohemia"

(The Happy Day).

"The Balkan Princess"—

"Marchetta"

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The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-morrow, November 1, will be "Everlasting Punishment."

The Golden Text will be "Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good." (Romans 12: 9).

THE TALE OF A TEE

Why the Englishman Likes
His Bath

Dr. H. A. Des Voeux, president of the National Smoke Abatement Society, recently advanced the theory that the Englishman is a clean man because he has

"It was so dirty in London" said the doctor, "that he had to give a lead in the matter of baths, and it has become a habit for everyone—an unnecessary habit to a large extent."

FUNDAMENTAL NEED
IN FRIENDSHIP

(Continued from Page 4)

But what else have they any right to expect? Even the nicest of natures grows resentful in the end of being an audience for ever. Your charm of manner and engaging vivacity may enable you to impose on a certain number of people for a certain time, but no one with any real character and self-respect is going to allow themselves to be treated eternally as a mixture of an unpaid servant, companion and father confessor.

Everything about a real friendship is divisible by two. In a love affair, one person may give, the other take. So if you are simply looking for an audience or a background, your only hope is to marry a meek husband, who will forgive you your egotistical nature because he is so hopelessly enamoured of your physical charms. But in a friendship things don't work that way.

Don't Be Too Frank

I don't mean that you have to be faultless to find friends. On the contrary, tolerance is one of the tests of friendship, and frankness is another. Unfortunately, some people object to such outspoken honesty. It wounds their vanity, and they retire in a huff, persuading themselves into believing that the reason why their friendship ended in silence was because the other person wasn't as sensitive as themselves.

At the same time, one can be too frank, even with a friend. Lots of people take up the attitude, "Oh, it doesn't matter what I say to So-and-so. She's friend of mine." Quite so, but the deeper the friendship, the deeper the feelings, and just because you went to school with someone, does not mean that you must treat them ever after to the crudities of school-day conversation.

Jealousy Of Friends

Another very strong factor in the destruction of friendship is common-or-garden jealousy. Lots of girls bitterly resent an old friend of theirs making new friends; and imagine that a close friendship with someone gives them an exclusive control over the other person's life.

Most men, on the other hand, are free from jealousy where friendship is concerned. They like their friends to like each other, and themselves have different friends for different occasions — with whom to enjoy different pursuits.

I wish all women would take up the same point of view about their friends. Unfortunately, at present, they can seldom afford to, for one very simple reason. They have never learnt the real meaning of the word loyalty — and loyalty, complete and absolute, is the one fundamental in every friendship worthy of the name!

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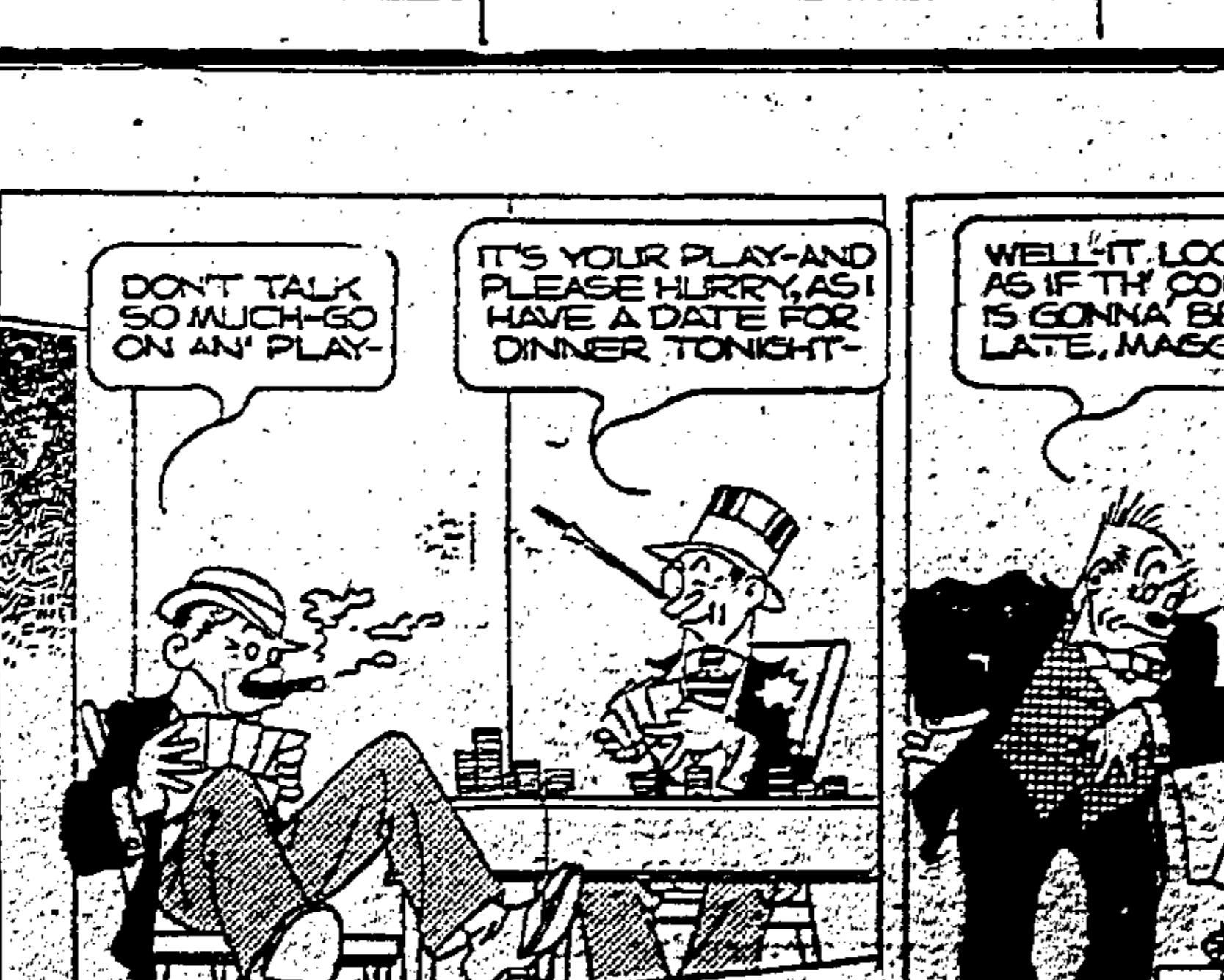
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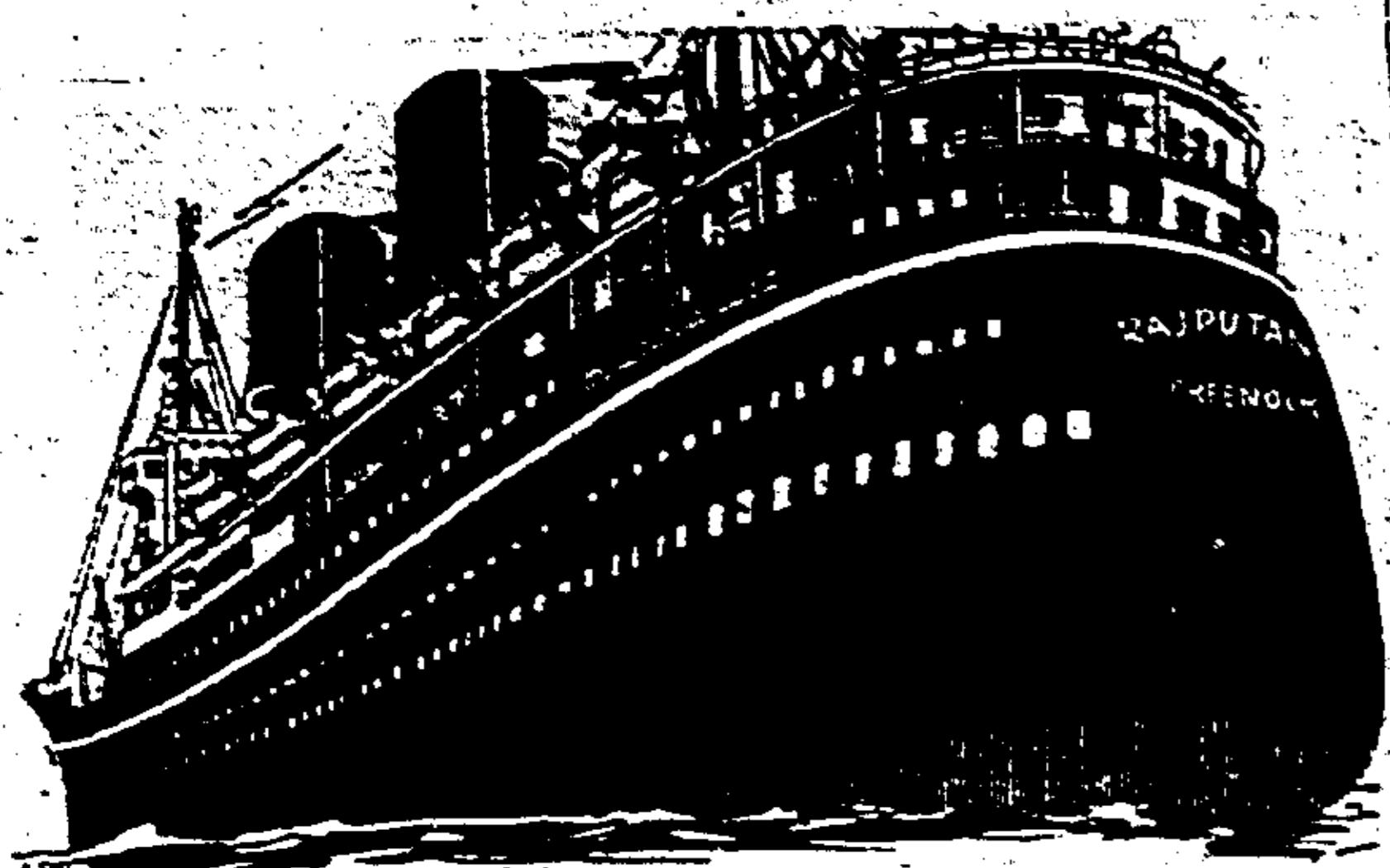
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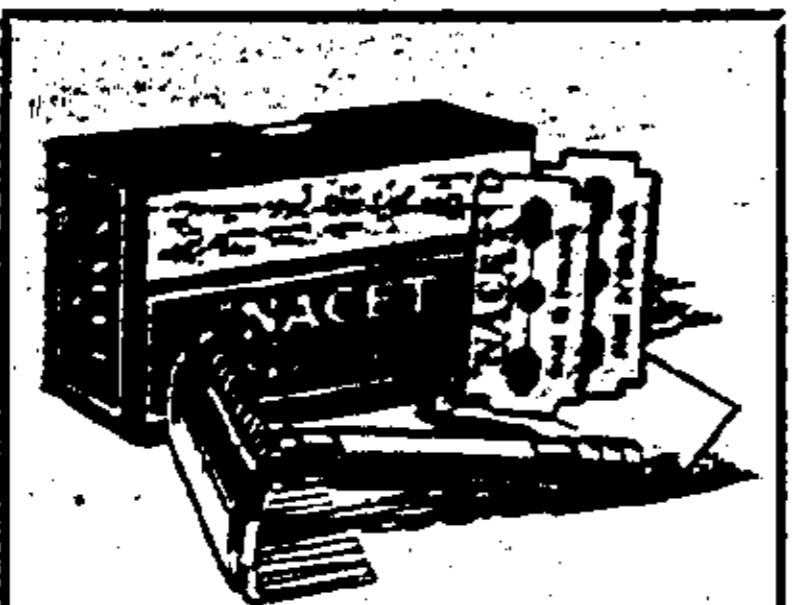
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The picture presents Ronald Colman, Claudette Colbert, Victor McLaglen and Rosalind Russell, with a supporting cast of 10,000. Colman is a private in the French Foreign Legion, loved by Miss Colbert. She, in turn, has captured the heart of McLaglen, his Major.

When Colman, who has fled from England to atone for his brother's crime, falls in love with beautiful Rosalind Russell, the tale begins to rise to its peak of dramatic intensity.

At an isolated desert outpost, McLaglen attempts to get rid of Colman by sacrificing him to the revolting Arabs, but repents, and comes to the assistance of the cornered subordinate. The climax arrives when their entire force faces extinction. Then Miss Colbert leads the Legionnaires to their rescue and saves the man she loves so that he can go to the arms of another woman.

Frank Lloyd, who has demonstrated his ability to handle spectacular productions in the past, directed this Darryl F. Zanuck production flawlessly and with tremendous dramatic impact. A supporting cast of character players assist the stars in their playing of this handsome and stirring photoplay.

"WE'RE IN THE MONEY"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Two of the funniest scenes which Hugh Herbert has in the new Warner Bros. picture, "We're In The Money," proved to be the most dangerous he has ever had to do.

In the first of these scenes he had to drive a roadster with

Henry O'Neill and Ross Alexander in the front seat, with him, through heavy traffic, at 40 m.p.h. Time after time he narrowly missed hitting trolley cars and trucks.

In another scene, made in the waters of Wilmington, he had to drive a small boat with a powerful outboard motor at top speed.

On some of the fast turns he barely escaped bad wrecks. Once he skidded on a turn, and the rear end of the boat struck the landing stage with force enough to tear the motor loose from the stern of the boat.

Herbert was badly shaken. He freely admitted that these scenes were the most dangerous he has ever been required to perform in his career as a funny man.

"We're In The Money" is a

Warner Bros. production with Joan Blondell and Glenda Farrell and a big cast of featured players in support: Hugh Herbert, Ross Alexander, Hobart Cavanaugh, Phil Regan, Anita Kerr, Henry O'Neill and others.

Warren William heads a talented cast in the role of a small townie who has made good in the big city. Bubbling over with good spirits and happiness because he has won the love of a beautiful and talented night-club singer from a younger rival, he calls on a boyhood chum in the old home town of Big Bend to act as his best man.

The friend is suspicious of women entertainers, and unaccustomed to their gay life and effrontery, believes them all grafters. He thinks the singer is trying to pull his chum's leg for all she can get out of him, while playing around with the ex-rival.

The small townie, a part played by Gene Lockhart, tells his friend just what a sucker he is, and gets his face slapped for his pains. The next morning the bride and her entire family call at the hotel suite of the best man to take him to a football game. Boiling over with anger, he heaps insult after insult on their heads.

Warren William repents hitting his friend and when repulsed, forces his way into the hotel room by a clever ruse, uses a strangling hold on Lockhart and while he has his man pinned to the floor, convinces him that he is a fool.

Lockhart aghast at the trouble he has caused, and believing he has wrecked all their lives, pulls a clever scheme and manages to get the family together, whereupon he clears up the entire situation.

Tune Travis has the role of the night-club entertainer. In the cast are Barton MacLane, Dick Powell, Granville Bates, Dorothy Vaughan, Craig Reynolds, and Kathleen Lockhart who plays opposite her own husband as the wife of the small-townie.

"FATAL LADY"—STAR THEATRE

Mary Ellis, former Metropolitan Opera prima donna, stars in "Fatal Lady," the Walter Wanger production for Paramount and again displays the fine quality of her lovely voice and personal charm. Her performance in her current picture far exceeds her highly meritorious acting in "All the King's Men."

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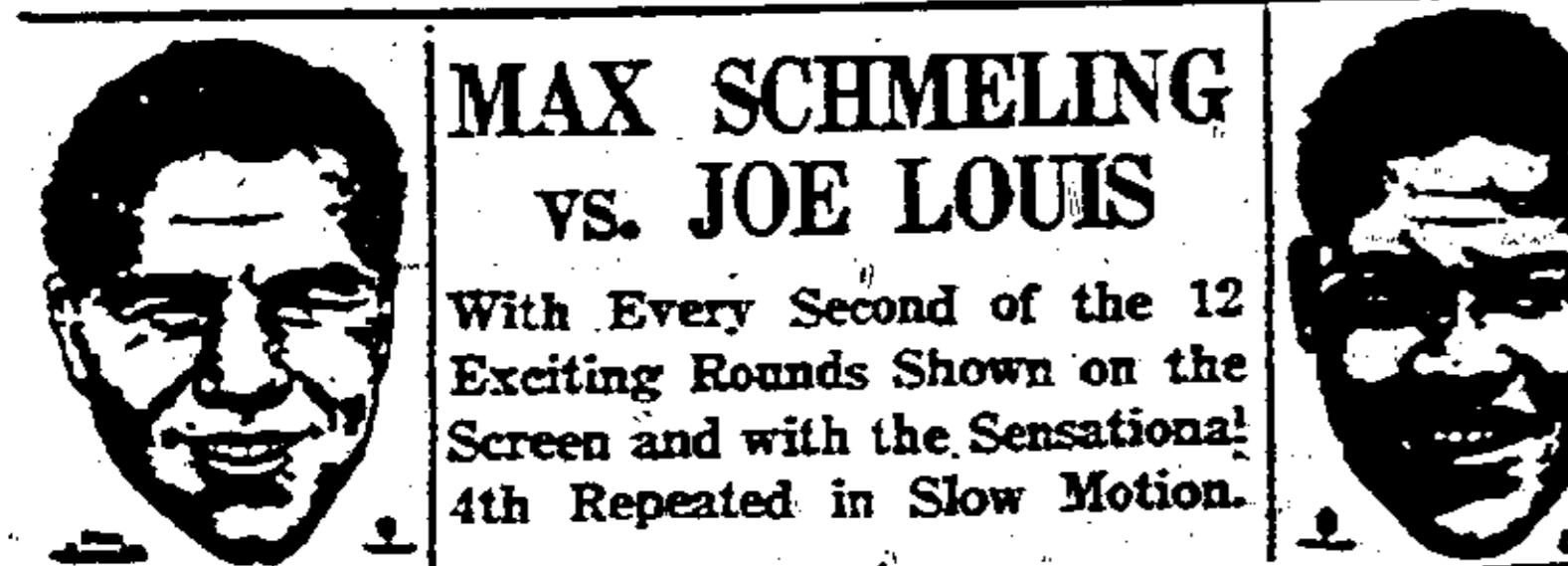
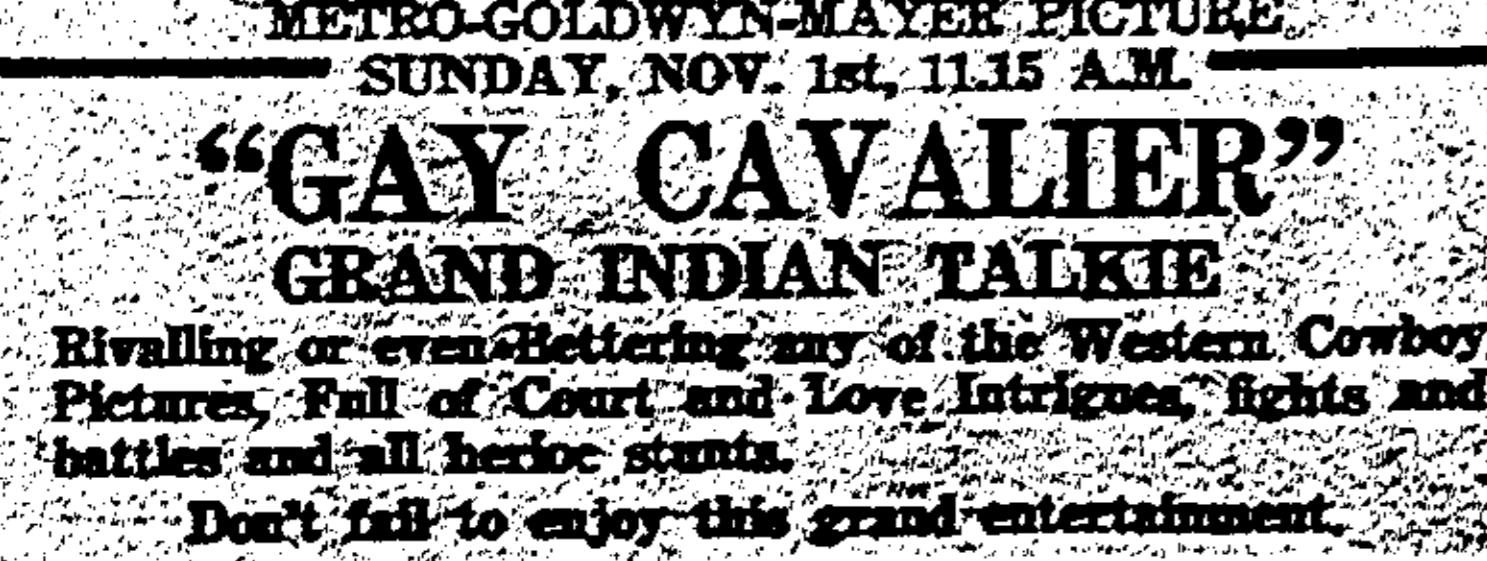
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"HOLD UP"**

 Motor Mechanic On
Pistol Charges
ACCUSED OF FIRING
AT INNKEEPER

An alleged shooting incident at an inn, and armed threats to the woman owner of a petrol filling station, were the subject of charges made against a 20-year-old motor mechanic at Salisbury last month.

Leslie Francis Graves Badham, of Gordon-avenue, Southampton, appeared on 11 charges. It was stated that after the filling station incident he was chased at 60 miles an hour by another car.

One of the allegation was that Badham assaulted Laura Anne Finch, at Stratford-upon-Avon, near Salisbury, with intent to steal from her, when armed with a revolver.

"Stick Them Up"

Mr. R. Hughes, prosecuting, said: "Mrs. Finch owns a petrol filling station at a somewhat lonely spot near Salisbury. On Sunday, September 13, a car drew up a few yards away from the station, and a young man got out and asked her if he was on the road to Amesbury."

"She told him that he was. He returned about 15 minutes later, and said, 'Stick them up! This is loaded,' and produced a revolver. "He told her to get in a shed a few yards away, but Mrs. Finch saw a car coming from Amesbury, and she rushed into the road for help."

Mr. Hughes said that Badham then made off in his car and was followed by the approaching car. He travelled at about 55 to 60 miles an hour, driving for the most part on the wrong side of the road. His car eventually overturned when rounding a corner in Amesbury, and Badham escaped.

He was arrested at Totton, on an omnibus, while on his way to Southampton.

"Awakened At 3 a.m."

Badham was committed for trial on the assault charge and one of reckless driving. The Bench then heard further charges, which were:

Breaking and entering the Alma Inn, Alma-road, Southampton, during the night of September 7 with intent to commit a felony; shooting at the licensee, Mr. Charles Henry Hosey, with intent to murder him; shooting at Rosina Hosey, his wife, with intent to murder her; and having in his possession an automatic pistol.

Mr. Hughes said that about 3 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Hosey were awakened by a noise outside their bedroom door. Mr. Hosey called out, and a voice from the other side replied: "Hands up, or I'll shoot."

"Fired At Wrong Door"

Mr. Hosey went to the door and rattled the handle, and at once heard the report of a revolver, followed by footsteps retreating down the stairs.

The place was found to have been ransacked, and there was a bullet hole at the level of a person's head in the panel of a door leading to a bedroom adjoining that of Mr. and Mrs. Hosey.

It was the contention of the prosecution, said Mr. Hughes, that when Mr. Hosey rattled the handle, Badham fired at what he thought was the door which was being opened. Fortunately for Mr. Hosey he fired at the wrong door.

In a statement, Badham was alleged to have said: "I realise how foolish I have been. I did not intend to rob Charlie. I did it for adventure."

The charge of shooting at Mrs. Hosey was dismissed, and on the other three Badham was committed for trial.

Five further charges relating to motoring offences were adjourned indefinitely.

ROOSEVELT ON NRA.
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further plans to stimulate re-employment are expected of them, for which a constitutional amendment to permit maximum hours and minimum wages to be regulated upon a national scale remains a possibility.

A wager of \$2,000 to \$5,000 for a Roosevelt victory has been placed in Wall Street. The national registration indicates a possible vote of nearly 45,000,000, which is 15,000,000 more than in 1932.


**UNIQUE PARISH
IN ENGLAND**

 Population Is A Very
Nice Man

**RECTORY AND CHURCH ON
WRONG SIDE OF ROAD**

Ifield (Kent). I have just left the rectory and the entire population of the parish of Ifield, and—a very nice man he is, too, writes a special correspondent in a London paper.

That might sound strange, but it happens to be true that the rectory is the population, and his rectory, and his church, are now the only buildings in the parish of Ifield.

Gravesend has swallowed up the rest, leaving the Rev. Kenneth M. Finch high and dry on the wrong side of Watling-street.

His Old Congregation

I visualised the rector ringing his own church bell and delivering to himself a stirring sermon. But the word "parish" in these days has a purely civil application and deals rather with street lighting than with matters ecclesiastical.

So Mr. Finch still has his old congregation, and, despite the fact that, from the municipal point of view, they now belong to Gravesend, he still christens them, marries them and buries them.

"A great number of them," he told me, "have come to me and asked me if it is all right for me to perform these duties for them. I have some difficulty in persuading many of them that I am still lawfully entitled to deal with their lives from the spiritual point of view."

But from the civil point of view Mr. Finch is in a strange position.

Rates Compromise

"At first," he said, "I feared that the entire weight of rates for the parish would fall upon me as the only parishioner, but we have reached a compromise. I pay my rates to Cobham, an adjacent village."

In consideration of this Cobham has kindly consented to empty Mr. Finch's dustbin—but that is about all.

At the moment Mr. Finch is uneasy about lamp-posts and policemen. Gravesend will not provide the little road with light.

With the amalgamation, the old village constable, once a tower of strength and a very pleasant help in trouble, has gone.

"Heaven knows where I shall get a policeman from if ever I want one," said Mr. Finch. "I can only hope that I never do."

Postal Changes

Then the postal arrangements are different. In the old days the village post-office was like all village post-offices, a free and easy kind of institution where the postmaster sold stamps and sent off telegrams and slept in between whiles.

Now the Post Office has become part of the severely urban district of Gravesend.

"You cannot always buy a stamp when you want one," complained the Rector. "People have to have half days off whether they want them or not, and they must close on the tick of eight."

"In the old days they would sell you anything any time if they happened to be awake. And after all, you could always wake them up."

But the one-man parish regards these pinpricks as nothing. It lives for its church and its 500-year-old foundation, the reputed scene of a famous Thomas à Becket miracle.

The Girl In The Well

Mr. Finch has devoted a great deal of time to the translation of old manuscripts from the Latin, dealing with this miracle, and has produced a translation with scholarly skill.

This tells the tale of the village girl, Salerna, who frightened after a petty theft, jumped down the deep well of Singewell (an alternative name to this day to Ifield) and called upon the Martyr to save her.

The story is that she was raised from the depths and restored to dry land unharmed.

HASTINGS SEASON EXTENDED

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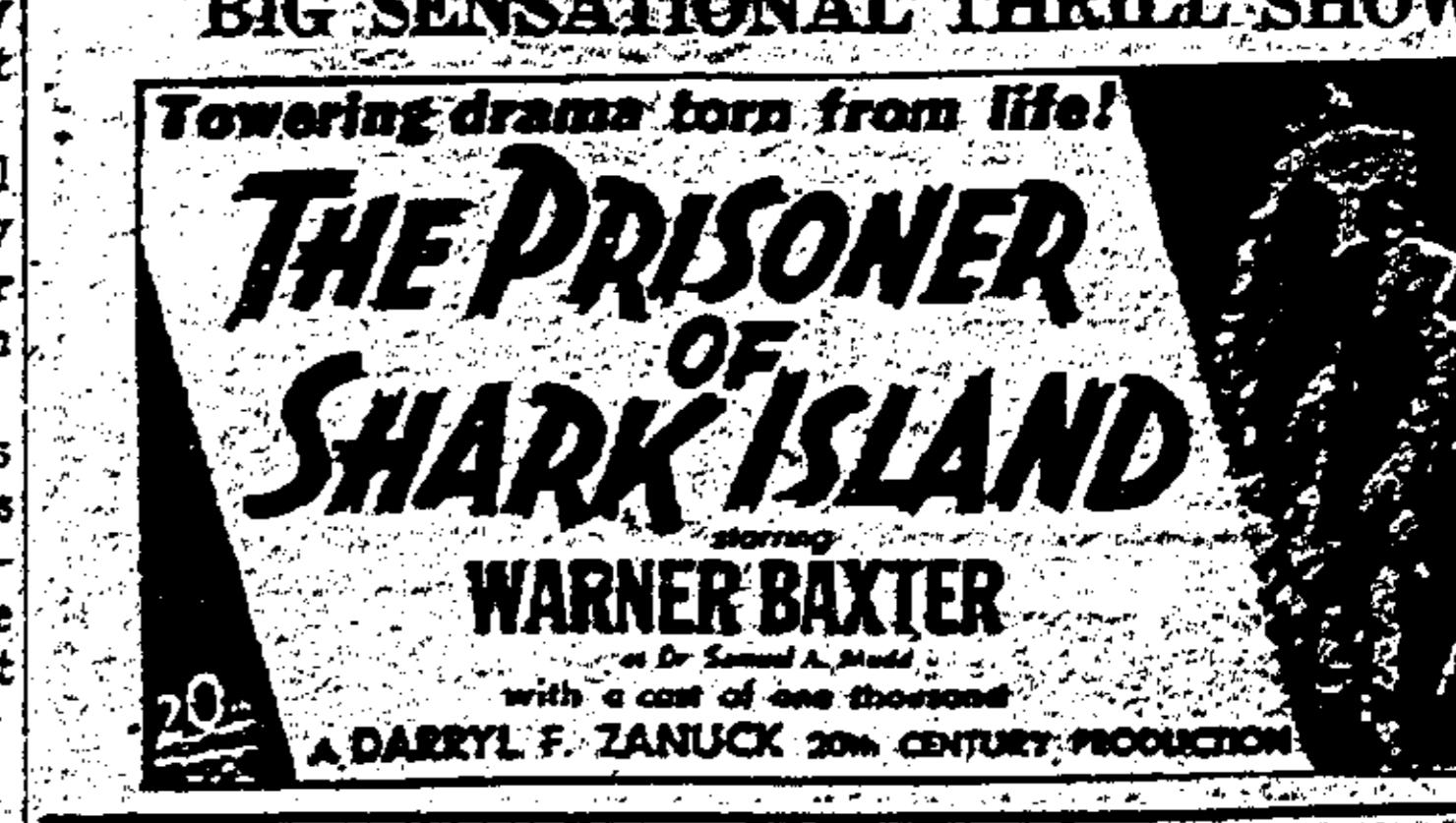
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